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Agenda

Tuesday, May 12, 2009

Registration 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

- 12:00 Noon **Welcome and Opening Remarks:**
- Mark Shurtleff, Utah Attorney General**
Tracey Tabet, CJC Program and Edward A. Berkovich, UPC
- 12:15 – 1:15 pm **Keynote: Role of the Medical Provider in Possible Child Abuse Cases**
Rich Kaplan, MSW, MD
Rich is back to kick off this year's symposium and to discuss the important role played by medical personnel in the investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases. Having worked with these types of cases for many years, he will provide insight into the value of collaboration among the various disciplines involved and will discuss how these agencies can benefit from the information provided by medical professionals.
- 1:15 – 1:30 pm Break
- 1:30 – 3:00 pm **Keynote: Seeing Red: Identifying and Responding to the Red Flags of Child Abuse**
State of Arizona v. Stanley Rimer
Rachel Mitchell, Sex Crimes Bureau Chief, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, AZ
Aileen, Victim
This keynote presentation will highlight the case of a woman who was the victim of sexual abuse in the guise of a plural marriage from ages 11 – 20. Throughout the abuse, there were "red flags" missed by professionals in various fields. CPS workers, law enforcement officers, and prosecutors, as well as professionals in the medical, mental health, and educational fields will learn how to focus on identifying and responding to those "red flags" and the appropriate responses to them.
- 1:30 – 4:45 pm **Special Session:**
The Friends of the Utah Children's Justice Centers — Friends' Boards Presentation
- 3:00 – 3:15 pm Break
- 3:15 – 4:45 pm **Breakout Session One**
- 1) **Abuse and Religion: *When Worlds Collide***
Rachel Mitchell, Sex Crimes Bureau Chief, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, AZ
This session will address the unique issues that arise when offenders use religion to facilitate abuse. Whether the abuse occurs within a religious setting, by a member of the clergy or congregation, or through abuse of religious beliefs, participants will learn how to identify and respond to victims and how to effectively investigate and prosecute such cases. This session also will address how to form partnerships with religious organizations in order to prevent abuse and appropriately respond to allegations.
 - 2) **Preparing Kids for Court and Court for Kids**
Mary Sawicki, Project Consultant, National District Attorneys Association
This session will specifically focus on preparing children to testify in court. It will identify things that children need to understand about court and their place in the criminal justice process. It will discuss how to prepare children of different ages to testify, what tools and strategies to be used with what age groups, how to reduce stress for the child, and how to prepare the child to face the defendant. It will also provide some information related to jurors' perceptions of child credibility. There will be a special emphasis in this presentation on innovative pre-trial motions a prosecutor may file to prepare the Court for a child witness.

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3) Investigation Best Practices With a Peer Review Component

Troy Little, Chief Deputy Attorney, Iron County Attorney's Office

Travis Rees, Sergeant, West Jordan Police Department

Best practice methods in child abuse investigations can be enhanced by integrating techniques backed up by research. This session will demonstrate several new methods that include a peer review component to build skills and support investigators. The combined methods maximize protection and prosecution efforts, build team work, and ensure sensitivity to victims.

4) The CJC Medical Provider: How do we Maximize Care in Rural Settings?

Special Session: Presentation and Round-Table Discussion for Medical Personnel

Rich Kaplan, MSW, MD, and Lori Frasier, MD, PCMC

4:30 – 5:15 pm **State Advisory Board on Children's Justice – May 2009 Board Meeting**

5:30 – 7:30 pm **Awards Reception:** Presentation of the Grethe Petersen Award
Presentation of the Utah Attorney General's MDT Award

Special Guest Appearance by **Mark Twain**

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

Registration 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

6:45 – 8:15 am Breakfast

8:30 – 8:35 am **Welcome and Announcements:** Tracey Tabet, CJC Program and Edward A. Berkovich, UPC

8:35 – 10:00 am **Keynote: Recent Research Affecting Child Abuse Investigations and Prosecutions**

Chris Newlin, Executive Director, NCAC

This keynote will address current criminal investigations of child abuse and the most current research behind the "best practices" of investigation and prosecution. It will highlight issues regarding MDTs, technology and on-line predators, parental knowledge of sexual abuse symptoms including awareness and the lack thereof, false allegations, how CACs (CJs) figure into the equation, the dynamics of forensic interviewing, child truth-telling and deception, and much more. This fast-paced presentation provides a great overview of where we are in terms of the current research affecting the investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases.

10:00 – 10:15 am Break

10:15 – 11:45 am **Breakout Session Two**

1) CART – Utah Child Abduction Response Team – Part One

Lt. Jessica Farnsworth, Field Commander ICAC Task Force and Commander Utah CART

Chief Chris Snyder, South Salt Lake Police Department

This session will present the history, concept and development of Utah Child Abduction Response Team (CART). Using the South Salt Lake Hser Ner Moo Abduction Case as an example, the session will illustrate how CART functions and identify resources available to all Utah law enforcement agencies. Additionally, participants will be instructed on how to build and activate a CART in their own jurisdictions. (Part Two – 1:15 – 2:45 pm)

2) Preparing the Prosecution Expert Witness for Direct and Cross Examination

Rachel Mitchell, Sex Crimes Bureau Chief, Maricopa County Attorney's Office

Allison DeFelice, PhD, ARC Mental Health Director

This session addresses how and when to use experts in child abuse cases. Special attention will be given to experts in the areas of victim and offender behavioral characteristics and to experts who can address special issues unique to child witnesses. This course is geared toward prosecutors who are considering presenting such evidence and professionals such as law enforcement officers, child protection workers, and counselors who may be called to render expert testimony.

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3) **Interviewing Victims with Special Needs**

Chris Newlin, Executive Director, NCAC

This session will focus on interviewing victims with special needs. Incorporating humor and insight, this presentation will review the types and definitions of "special needs", identify myths associated with special-needs clients, and discuss preparing for and conducting interviews with these victims. The session will also provide some practical strategies for preparing for and going to court with these special victims.

4) **Crawford and Davis & Hammon: Where Are We Now?**

Mary Sawicki, Project Consultant, National District Attorneys' Association

This session will provide an interesting and insightful overview of *Crawford v. Washington* and its progeny cases that are now shaping investigation and prosecution. The presentation will include a review of where we were, where we are, details and definitions, challenges and limitations, application to child-related cases, and issues specific to child abuse investigation and prosecution.

5) **Using Anatomical Dolls and Drawings in Forensic Interviewing: Pros, Cons and Controversies**

Linda Cordisco Steele, M.Ed., LPC, Curriculum Chair and Senior Trainer, NCAC

This session will focus on the use of anatomical dolls and drawings as part of the forensic interview for victims of child sexual abuse. It will discuss the prevailing schools of thought related to the use of dolls and drawings, identifying both benefits and concerns. It will also provide an overview of the most current research related to the use of dolls and drawings, as well as identifying some recommendations and strategies for obtaining the best results.

6) **The Search for Corroborating Evidence in Child Abuse Cases**

Roger Canaff, Deputy Chief, Sexual Offender Management Unit, Office of the Attorney General, NY

This session will present information about the identification and collection of corroborating evidence in child abuse investigations. It will discuss a variety of areas to explore when searching for corroboration as well as providing specific questions that can be asked to get at important information.

Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch (Provided)

1:15 – 2:45 pm

Breakout Session Three

1) **CART – Utah Child Abduction Response Team Part Two: The Hser Ner Moo Abduction Case**

Chief Chris Snyder and Lt. Jessica Farnsworth

This session will present the South Salt Lake Hser Ner Moo Abduction Case as an example of how CART (Child Abduction Response Team) actually works. By highlighting the details of the case, the presentation will provide insight into what worked well, what might be improved, and how other jurisdictions might set up their own CARTs.

2) **** Preparing the Prosecution Expert Witness for Direct and Cross Examination (Repeat)**

Rachel Mitchell, Allison DeFelice

3) **** Interviewing Victims with Special Needs (Repeat)**

Chris Newlin

4) **** Crawford and Davis & Hammon: Where Are We Now? (Repeat)**

Mary Sawicki

5) **** Using Anatomical Dolls and Drawings in Forensic Interviewing (Repeat)**

Linda Cordisco Steele

6) **** The Search for Corroborating Evidence in Child Abuse Cases (Repeat)**

Roger Canaff

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2:45 – 3:00 pm

Break

3:00 – 4:00 pm

Breakout Session Four

1) **Presenting Child Witnesses When the Child is Unavailable or Unwilling to Testify**

Rachel Mitchell, Sex Crimes Bureau Chief, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, AZ

This session is designed for abuse investigators, forensic interviewers and those who prepare children for court, in either a prosecutorial or advocacy role. This session will address how to prepare for and handle a case in which a child is unavailable or unwilling to testify. Further emphasis will be placed on understanding children's language skills so that miscommunication does not threaten the viability of a case, issues related to recantation, and ways to reduce fear and encourage cooperation.

2) **The Role of Medical Personnel in Child Abuse Investigations and Prosecutions and Preparing Them as Expert Witnesses**

Roger Canaff, Deputy Chief, Sexual Offender Management Unit, Office of the Attorney General, NY

This session will provide an overview of the important role played by medical personnel as part of a multidisciplinary team approach to the investigation and prosecution of child abuse. It will discuss how medical personnel fit in the progression of an investigation as well as providing some insight into preparing medical personnel to testify and to be expert witnesses.

3) **Competency Assessment and Oath-Taking in the Forensic Interview Process**

Allison DeFelice, PhD, ARC Mental Health Director

This session will focus on assessing competency of a child victim and/or witness and the processes used to make that determination. The presentation will address the issue of whether competency assessments should be conducted during the forensic interview and identify specific competency tasks that can be used for that purpose. Recent research will be presented and the results discussed.

4) **The Comfort of Healing Paws**

Curtis Allen, Deputy, Tooele County Sheriff's Office

Cindy Kinsman, Tooele County Search and Rescue and Rocky Mountain Rescue Dogs

This session will present a new and unique approach to gaining the trust of a child and getting disclosure from them. Through the use of dogs, interviewers and child advocates are able to help the children being interviewed so that they can be more at ease during a very traumatic experience. The Healing Paws Program, sponsored by their community partner Cargill Salt Company, has been up and running through the Tooele County Children's Justice Center for some time. It has experienced wonderful success. This presentation will provide information about the program and will offer assistance to those who are interested in creating a similar program for other centers and jurisdictions.

5) **Forensic Interviewing: Current Issues Affecting Child Abuse Investigation and Prosecution**

Linda Cordisco Steele, M.Ed., LPC, Curriculum Chair and Senior Trainer, NCAC

This session will provide an overview of the current state of affairs related to Forensic Interviewing in child abuse investigations and prosecutions. It will focus on a variety of issues including: the variety of models being used throughout the nation, the benefits and challenges of using professional forensic interviewers versus trained law enforcement and/or child protective services professionals, and current research findings that affect child abuse investigation and prosecution.

6) **SLCPD's Operation SAFE Passage / Utah's Drug Endangered Children Program**

Rick Wall, Detective and Volunteer Coordinator, SLCPD

Marjean Searcy, Meth Initiative Coordinator, SLCPD

This presentation will highlight two programs administered through Salt Lake City Police Department. *Operation Safe Passage* empowers citizen volunteers to become the eyes and ears of the police department along their neighborhood schools' safe walking routes, providing security for children traveling to and from school. *Utah's Drug Endangered Children Program* began in 1998 as part of the Salt Lake City COPS Methamphetamine Initiative to identify and protect children found in drug environments. This presentation will identify the unique needs for children and their families and will discuss how professionals can contribute to the effort.

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7) **Salt Lake Area Family Justice Center -- How We Got Started**

Sim Gill, Chief City Prosecutor, Salt Lake City, Utah

Asha Parekh, LCSW, Director, Salt Lake Area Family Justice Center

This session will present an overview of the Salt Lake Area Family Justice Center. The presenters will discuss how this project began in Salt Lake County, how it links to the National Family Justice Center Alliance, and share lessons learned in the first year of operation.

8) **The Risks, Benefits and Solutions of Technology within Family Violence**

Katie Sutton, Training Coordinator, Utah Domestic Violence Council (UDVC)

This presentation is designed to help those working in the field of family violence recognize the day-to-day use of technology by perpetrators and potential victims of violence. It will provide ideas about how to enhance the positive aspects of the use of technology to protect victims and reduce the possible negative consequences for victims of crime.

4:00 – 4:15 pm

Break

4:15 – 5:15 pm

Breakout Session Five

1) **** Competency Assessment and Oath-Taking in the Forensic Interview Process (Repeat)**

Allison DeFelice

2) **** The Comfort of Healing Paws (Repeat)**

Curtis Allen and Cindy Kinsman

3) **** Forensic Interviewing: Issues in Child Abuse Investigation and Prosecution (Repeat)**

Linda Cordisco Steele

4) **** SLCPD's Operation SAFE Passage / Utah's Drug Endangered Children Program (Repeat)**

Detective Rick Wall and Marjean Searcy

5) **** Salt Lake County Family Justice Center (Repeat)**

Sim Gill and Asha Parekh

6) **** The Risks, Benefits and Solutions of Technology within Family Violence (Repeat)**

Katie Sutton

5:15 pm

Adjourn for the day

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Registration 7:30 am to Noon

6:45 – 8:15 am

Breakfast

8:30 – 8:35 am

Welcome and Announcements: Tracey Tabet, CJC Program and Edward A. Berkovich, UPC

8:35 – 10:00 am

Keynote: Intimate Abuse: A New Paradigm

Linda Mills, JD, MSW, PhD, Senior Vice Provost, New York University

Does our system of requiring the arrest, prosecution, and incarceration of abusers lessen domestic violence and really help families affected by this widespread problem? Through research and a survey of the images and myths that dominate our current response to domestic violence, Mills, a feminist, challenges our current approach. By recognizing the importance of the intergenerational, situational, and dynamic nature of this problem, Mills offers a new paradigm for policymakers, advocates, and treatment providers -- both in how the problem is conceptualized and how it should be addressed.

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10:00 – 10:15 am Break

10:15 – 11:45 am **Breakout Session Six**

1) **Voices from the Grassroots Movement**

Linda G. Mills, JD, MSW, PhD, The Honorable Mary Helen Maley, JD, James M. and Katharine M.

Moderator: Edward A. Berkovich, UPC

Some of the founding voices from the new grassroots movement described in Mills' keynote will be heard in this breakout panel, including two partners who have been in an abusive relationship, one of whom founded Violence Anonymous, the judge who presides in the Arizona court that helped found the Circles of Peace program, and Mills. The panelists will provide a unique perspective on the possibilities of the role of the judiciary in responding to domestic violence and of personal transformation when domestic violence has occurred, as well as further discussion of Mills' New Paradigm.

2) **Peer Review in Forensic Interviewing**

Linda Cordisco Steele, M.Ed., LPC, Curriculum Chair and Senior Trainer, NCAC

Conducting a forensic interview of a child is a complex task demanding a broad array of skills and competencies. National and statewide trainings serve to transmit and demonstrate the informational component, increasing attendees' content knowledge about good practices. However, this new knowledge does not automatically transform into internalized usable skills, as demonstrated by research. This workshop will present a model for providing ongoing supervision and peer review of interviewers within a Child Advocacy Center setting. Participants will receive instruction and practical suggestions for adapting this model in a variety of CAC settings, and will introduced to a number of techniques and strategies for increasing the knowledge and skills of child forensic interviewers and providing peer support.

3) **NOJOS - Identifying and Responding to the Juvenile Sexual Offender: An Overview**

Dave Fowers, Founding Member of NOJOS

This presentation will briefly review salient research and practical information available to assist the various professionals in protecting the community. This protection comes with the use of accurate information in identifying, assessing, supervising and treating the juvenile sexual offender.

11:45 – Noon

Wrap-Up and Adjourn: Tracey Tabet, CJC Program and Edward A. Berkovich, UPC

Please see following pages for Conference Faculty and Speaker Information,
Symposium/Conference Registration Information and
Hotel/Lodging Information.

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Speaker Information

Curtis Allen, Deputy, Tooele County Sheriff's Office

Curtis Allen has been a Deputy Sheriff with the Tooele County Sheriff's Office for 18 years and has been a dedicated volunteer to the Tooele County Children's Justice Center Program for more than 11 years. Allen has been involved in the training of dogs for 9 years, was instrumental in the creation and organization of the Tooele County K-9 Search and Rescue Team, and assisted in creating and managing the Healing Paws Program. His dog, Bruno, has been a search dog for over 5 years and has been involved with Healing Paws for the past year. He is also the recipient of the Canine Good Citizen Award.

Roger Canaff, Deputy Chief, Sexual Offender Management Unit, Office of the Attorney General, NY

Roger Canaff was born in New York City in 1967 and was raised in Northern Virginia where he attended the public schools. He attended the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and then the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law. In 1997, after a brief period in private practice, he took a job with the Alexandria, Virginia Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney. During his time there he prosecuted many different types of crimes, with a specialty in child abuse, child sexual assault, and juvenile crime. In 2003 he joined the staff of the National Center for the Prosecution of Child Abuse at the American Prosecutors Research Institute in Alexandria, Virginia as a Senior Attorney. In 2005 he returned to active prosecution in Bronx County, New York in that office's Child Abuse and Sex Unit. Then in June 2007, he was hired by the New York State Office of the Attorney General as the Deputy Chief of the newly formed Sex Offender Management Unit. As an experienced child sexual assault prosecutor, he has lectured to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners nationwide on their role in the legal process, and has lectured to physicians and others in the medical field as well. He has trained nationally on issues related to juvenile crime, sexual assault prosecution, child abuse and related issues.

Allison DeFelice, PhD, ARC Mental Health Director, University of South Carolina, School of Medicine

Dr. Allison DeFelice received her undergraduate degree in Psychology and English Literature at Emory University in Atlanta, GA and her Ph.D. in Clinical-Community Psychology at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. Since 1995, she has been the Program Director of the Assessment and Resource Center (ARC), a nationally accredited Children's Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina. She is also Assistant Professor in the USC School of Medicine, Department of Neuropsychiatry and Behavioral Science. Dr. DeFelice conducts forensic interviews and comprehensive evaluations of suspected child victims, provides expert court testimony, trains nationally and conducts clinical research. Among her professional affiliations, she is a past president of the South Carolina Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (SCPSAC) and a frequent trainer for the American Prosecutors Research Institute, the National Children's Advocacy Center and the National Child Protection Training Center.

Lt. Jessica Farnsworth, Field Commander, ICAC Task Force and Commander, Utah's Child Abduction Response Team (CART)

Lt. Jessica Farnsworth has been with the Utah Attorney General's Office since 1998. Her current assignment is Field Commander for the Internet Crimes Against Children's (ICAC) Task Force and Commander of Utah's Child Abduction Response Team (CART), which she helped develop. In 2008, the U.S. Department of Justice honored her as the AMBER Alert Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Lt. Farnsworth has 18 years experience in child abuse issues and investigations. Beginning in 1990, she worked as a counselor with abused children. From 1995-1998 she was a social worker assigned to the sexual abuse investigations unit in the Division of Child and Family Services. In 1998 she came to the Attorney General's Office as one of two forensic investigators to handle child abuse referrals involving contract providers with DCFS and in 1999, Lt. Farnsworth became certified as a peace officer and moved into the AG criminal investigations. She has investigated crimes involving child abductions, child homicides, child sexual exploitations, Internet crimes and children of polygamy. She has received numerous awards from State and local government. She has a Bachelors degree from Brigham Young University and has done postgraduate work at University of Utah and Brigham Young University. Lt. Farnsworth is a frequent speaker on issues relating to child abuse investigations.

Dave Fowers, NOJOS

Dave Fowers is a founding member of NOJOS (Utah Network on Juveniles Offending Sexually). Dave has worked in areas related to the prevention and treatment of child abuse for many years, and has recently retired from the Division of Juvenile Justices Services after 32 years of service. He is active in the newly formed Sex Abuse Services Network of Utah (SASNU) and is currently in private practice.

Speaker Information

Sim Gill, Chief City Prosecutor, Salt Lake City

Sim Gill is a graduate from the University of Utah with degrees in History and Philosophy. He received his JD together with a Certificate of Specialization in Environmental and Natural Resources Law from the Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon. Sim was been a public prosecutor for 14 years before being named Chief City Prosecutor for Salt Lake City in 2000. Recently, Mr. Gill has been involved with systems analysis and approaching crime as a systemic problem solving approach. In this regard, he has worked with various alternatives to incarceration programs such as mental health court, dui court, domestic violence court, drug court, and the Family Justice Center. This type of a social and criminal justice approach was highlighted by the selection of Salt Lake City as one of the top three programs in the world by the World Leadership Forum in London, England. Mr. Gill serves as the Co-Chair of the State Mental Health Initiative, Vice Chair of the Salt Lake County Criminal Justice Advisory Comm. and as the Chair of the YWCA Salt Lake Area Safe at Home Coalition. He received the Salt Lake Area Domestic Violence Council's "Peace on Earth Award" in 2004 and the YWCA's 2008 "Public Official of the Year" for his work related to the issues of domestic violence.

Rich Kaplan, MSW, MD

Rich Kaplan is the Medical Director of The Center for Safe and Healthy Children - the University of Minnesota Children's Hospital Child Abuse Program. He is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Minnesota Medical School and Head of the Section for Safe and Healthy Children in the Division of Academic General Pediatrics. Dr. Kaplan is also the Associate Medical Director at Midwest Children's Resource Center, a regional medical child abuse evaluation program at Children's Hospitals and Clinics in St. Paul and Minneapolis Minnesota. Dr. Kaplan received a Masters in Social Work degree from St. Louis University and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of South Dakota. He completed a pediatric residency in Phoenix, AZ. Rich is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, a charter member of the Ray Helfer Society and a former member of the Society's executive committee. Dr. Kaplan is a 2003 recipient of the United States Department of Health and Human Services: Commissioner's Award for Outstanding Service in the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect. He is also a member of the Executive Board of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Child Abuse and Neglect (SOCAN) and has been named as the Section's representative to the Academy's Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect (COCAN). First, as a social worker and now as a pediatrician, Rich has been working with child abuse victims for over 30 years.

Troy Little, Iron County Prosecutor

Cindy Kinsman, Rocky Mountain Rescue Dogs and Tooele County Search and Rescue

Cindy Kinsman has been a member of Rocky Mountain Rescue Dogs for more than 5 years and is also a member of the Tooele County Search and Rescue team. Cindy assisted in the creation of the Tooele County Healing Paws Program and continues to be actively involved in its management. She teaches Canine Good Citizen obedience program for all dogs wanting to be a part of Healing Paws. Her dog, Rutger, was a guide dog for the Blind for 5 years, has been a search dog for 4 years, and has been a Healing Paws dog for one year. He also holds his Canine Good Citizen certification.

The Honorable Mary Helen Maley, JD

The Honorable Mary Helen Maley has been a judge for the Santa Cruz Justice Court, Precinct Number One, since November 1993. She presides over civil and criminal bench and jury trials, a variety of motions, landlord tenant matters, traffic cases, protection orders, and is responsible for the administration of the court, including budgeting and personnel, civil cases to \$10,000, criminal cases involving domestic violence. Prior to taking the bench, she served as a city prosecutor and then was in private practice for over 14 years. She holds both a Bachelors and Masters degree in Education, having taught as a special education teacher for 9 years prior to obtaining her JD from Temple University Law Center. Judge Maley is a teacher and mentor for the Judicial College of Arizona, Arizona Supreme Court and the National Judicial College, University of Nevada at Reno, and holds membership in the National Association of Women Judges, the Arizona Justice Courts Association, and the Arizona Magistrates Association.

James M.

James M. is an accomplished musician, teacher and associate producer for SXSW Music Festival in Austin, Texas. In 2004 he had been in recovery from alcoholism, drug addiction, sexual abuse and depression for 11 years. He educated himself with anger management, therapy, books, and a men's group for anger but would find himself months later acting out worse than before. It seemed none of his efforts could help him overcome his progressive addiction to power and control. Only by founding Violence Anonymous and applying the 12 Steps to his malady, was he able to arrest the vicious cycle of emotional and physical abuse that kept him from acting with kindness and generosity. Since then, for North America and Europe, Violence Anonymous has become a solution for victims, perpetrators and rescuers who find themselves caught in the cycle of violent behavior.

Speaker Information

Katharine M.

Katharine M. is an accomplished musician, artist and teacher of the Old Masters Technique, which she teaches at The Art School of the Austin Museum of Art (AMOA) and other art schools. After getting clean and sober at age 21, she regained her middle-class life, gave back to her community, and became the artist of her dreams. Yet in her personal life she experienced fear and was attracted to men who professed to care for her but disrespected her behind closed doors and were verbally and physically abusive. Six weeks into her marriage she was in a battered women's shelter, where she was told her abuser would never change and her only problem was not leaving him. While realizing that his violence was not her fault she had enough recovery to realize her control, manipulation and rescuing was actually part of the dynamic. After trying to fix her husband and herself through books, retreats, therapies and treatment, she has been applying the 12 steps of Violence Anonymous to her own unconscious behaviors, resulting in her addiction to power and control being arrested one day at a time.

Linda G. Mills, JD, MSW, PhD, Senior Vice Provost, New York University

Dr. Linda Mills is Professor of Social Work, Public Policy, and Law at New York University, where she also serves as Senior Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education & University Life and Executive Director of NYU's Center on Violence and Recovery. In her latest book, *Violent Partners: A Breakthrough Plan for Ending the Cycle of Abuse* (Basic Books, 2008), Mills challenges current paradigms of domestic abuse and develops a new theory and practice, based on empirical research, for rethinking how we respond to violence in intimate relationships. Mills is currently completing a National Science Foundation study that compares a batterer's treatment program to a restorative approach to recovery called Circles of Peace. Dr. Mills' other publications include: "Shame and intimate abuse: The critical missing link between cause and cure," (Children and Youth Services Review, 2008); "The justice of recovery: How the state can heal the violence of crime," (Hastings Law Journal, 2006); *Insult to Injury: Rethinking Our Response to Intimate Abuse* (Princeton University, 2003); "Fighting for child custody when domestic violence is at issue: A survey of state laws and a call for more research," (with Amy Levin) (Social Work, 2003); "The law of white spaces: Race, culture, and legal education," (with Peter Goodrich) (Journal of Legal Education, 2001); "Killing Her Softly: Intimate Abuse and the Violence of State Intervention," (Harvard Law Review, 1999). Mills is currently writing and producing a 90-minute documentary called *Truth Be Told*, a film that explores the intergenerational transmission of Holocaust trauma via her family's return to Vienna, the birthplace her mother fled in 1939.

Rachel Mitchell, Sex Crimes Bureau Chief, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, AZ

For over 13 years, Rachel Mitchell has prosecuted sexual offenders, including child molesters, rapists, and child pornographers. As the Sex Crimes Bureau Chief for Maricopa County, Arizona, Rachel works on sex crimes legislation and teaches prosecutors and other professionals nationally and across Arizona in the areas of crimes against children and adult sexual assault. In 2003, Rachel was the Arizona Outstanding Sexual Assault Prosecutor. She also was one of the lead prosecutors in the sexual abuse investigation involving the Diocese of Phoenix, which resulted in the indictment of eight priests and a ground-breaking agreement with the Diocese. She also prosecuted a polygamy case involving a man who "married" an 11 year-old girl and sexually abused her for over ten years. Because of her efforts in these cases, she received the 2006 Arizona Children's Justice Task Force Award for Excellence for Outstanding Child Abuse Legal Professional.

Chris Newlin, Executive Director, National Children's Advocacy Center

Chris Newlin, MS LPC, is the Executive Director of the National Children's Advocacy Center where he is responsible for providing leadership and management of the NCAC and participating in national leadership activities regarding the protection of children. The NCAC was the first Child Advocacy Center in the United States, and continues to provide both prevention and intervention services for child abuse in Huntsville/Madison County, and also houses the NCAC National Training Center, the Southern Regional CAC, and the Child Abuse Library Online (CALiO). In these capacities, Chris oversees a staff of 42 professionals and a yearly budget of 3.8 million dollars. Chris has worked in a variety of child maltreatment programs, including CACs in both urban and rural settings and sexual offender treatment programs. He presents widely on issues related to the protection of children, and enjoys incorporating humor and insight into his presentations. He currently serves on the National Children's Alliance/Regional Children's Advocacy Center Management Team, National Children's Alliance Development Committee, and is Vice-President of the Alabama Network of Children's Advocacy Centers where he also chairs the ANCAC Legislative Committee. Chris graduated from Hendrix College, the University of Central Arkansas, and the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program.

Asha Parekh, Director, Salt Lake Area Family Justice Center

Asha Parekh, LCSW, is the Salt Lake Area Family Justice Center Director. She has eleven years experience in the domestic violence field, providing advocacy and case management services and special expertise working with diverse populations. She is the former Director of the YWCA's battered women's shelter. Ms. Parekh is past chair for the Utah Domestic Violence Council and the Salt Lake Area Domestic Violence Council.

Travis Rees, Sergeant, West Jordan Police Department

Speaker Information

Mary Sawicki, Project Consultant, National District Attorneys' Association

Attorney Mary Sawicki is a Project Consultant with the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse located within the National District Attorneys Association in Alexandria, VA. In that position, Attorney Sawicki travels nationally and trains front-line prosecutors and allied professionals on a variety of child abuse prevention topics. She also writes on child abuse issues as well as answers technical assistance questions from child abuse prosecutors across the country. Attorney Sawicki was an Assistant District Attorney for 23 years in Worcester County, MA before beginning her position with NCPA. She was Chief of the Child Abuse Unit for over 13 years and supervised the forensic interview program in the District Attorneys Office. Attorney Sawicki was the recipient of the Massachusetts Bar Association's Access to Justice Prosecutor Award in 2004.

Marjean Searcy, Project Coordinator, Salt Lake City COPS Methamphetamine Initiative, Salt Lake City Police Department

Marjean Searcy is the Project Coordinator for the Salt Lake City COPS Methamphetamine Initiative and has been in that capacity since 1999. As the coordinator of this multi-agency partnership, she and her colleagues have accomplished system wide change in Utah. The Salt Lake City COPS Meth Initiative has received national recognition as an effective response to the Methamphetamine epidemic, has received numerous awards, and has been featured in various national and local conferences in the United States. Ms. Searcy is a consultant for the Utah Governor's Meth Task Force and participates in the working groups for the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children. Ms. Searcy obtained a Bachelor's Degree in French Literature and Sociology from Southern Utah University and is a licensed Social Service Worker in the state of Utah.

Chief Chris Snyder, Chief, South Salt Lake Police Department

Chris Snyder started with the South Salt Lake Police Department in February of 1991. Throughout his career he worked in many different assignments to include narcotics, SWAT, and Motors. He also worked as the department Public Information Officer. Chris was appointed to Chief of Police in January of 2007 after rising through the ranks of the police department. He was the Assistant Chief of Police prior to his Chief's appointment. Chris has previously taught classes covering internal affairs, employee rights, effective communication, first line supervision, media relations, and leadership. Chris and his wife Robin reside in Layton, Utah and they have four daughters, ages 9 through 13.

Linda Cordisco Steele, M.Ed., LPC, Curriculum Chair and Senior Trainer, NCAC

Linda Cordisco Steele, M.Ed., LPC is Curriculum Chair and Senior Trainer for the National Children's Advocacy Center's Child Forensic Interviewing Programs. Linda has previously served as Clinical Director and as a forensic interviewer for three Children's Advocacy Centers: the Prescott House CAC in Birmingham, Alabama; the National Children's Advocacy Center in Huntsville, Alabama; and The Safehouse in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Linda currently conducts interviews at NCAC and at several CACs in Kentucky. Linda has twenty years of experience in therapy and advocacy work with victims and extensive training experience regionally and nationally. Linda received her Masters in Education from the University of Pittsburgh and is a Licensed Professional Counselor.

Katie Sutton, Training Coordinator, UDVC

Katie Sutton is the Training Coordinator for the Utah Domestic Violence Council (UDVC). She has worked for the UDVC since 2002 where she coordinates and provides domestic violence-related (DV) training on a variety of specific subjects throughout Utah. Katie wears many hats at the UDVC including: IT support (or resident Techie Geek, as she calls it), Conference Planner, Webmaster, and all around fix-it gopher. Katie participates on various DV-related task forces and awareness campaigns, including the UHMIS Ethics and Privacy Task Force, the Governors Dating Violence Task Force, the SWAVO Steering Committee and "Cut it Out". Katie graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelors of Science in Sociology with a certificate in Criminology and Corrections. Katie has a diverse employment and personal background including nine years in the U.S. Army and more than 20 years of volunteer service and work in her community.

Rick Wall, Detective, Salt Lake City Police Department

Rick Wall is currently a detective with the Salt Lake City Police Department. In this role, Rick oversees the city's volunteer programs, providing all aspects of direction, including creating, managing and promoting citizen volunteer groups. No stranger to Law Enforcement, Rick has spent 11 years as a police officer and detective which has taught him the importance of positive working relationships between community citizens and Police agencies. Rick helps citizens of Salt Lake City to reduce crime in their communities by working closely with the police department and becoming better trained in recognizing, deterring, and reporting crimes.

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Continuing Education Credit will be available for attorneys, law enforcement officers, and social workers. Please complete the check-box on the On-Line Conference Registration form as to which education credits you want to receive. All participants who want to receive continuing education credits will also need to sign in at the Conference Registration table each day of the conference. CEC Certificates will be distributed at the end of the conference at the Registration table.

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Hotel lodging reservations are the responsibility of the attendee. Local CJs and some affiliated agencies may make group reservations for those professionals who work directly with them. Such professionals should contact their local CJC or affiliated agency to determine their hotel lodging status. For all other attendees, please contact Zermatt directly by phone at **866-624-2009** to make your lodging reservations.

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Please note that lodging rooms are limited and tend to fill up quickly. Should Zermatt be sold out of rooms, please consider contacting the **Homestead Resort**, located directly across the street from Zermatt. Please see their website at: <http://www.homesteadresort.com/> . The Homestead offers lovely rooms at the same state rates for conference attendees as Zermatt on an as-available basis. The Homestead's reservation phone number is **800-327-7220**. Please be sure to mention the 2009 Children's Justice Symposium/ UPC DV Conference to ensure that you get the conference rate.